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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Tadamoto TAMAI**

Group Art Unit: **3652**

Application Number: **10/806,149**

Examiner: **James W. Keenan**

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Confirmation Number: **1981**

For: **VACUUM PROCESSING SYSTEM BEING ABLE TO CARRY PROCESS
OBJECT INTO AND OUT OF VACUUM CHAMBER**

Attorney Docket Number: **042188**

Customer Number: **38834**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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August 22, 2006

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated June 7, 2006, in which the Examiner set forth a three-month period for response, making a response timely if filed on or before September 7, 2006. Please consider the following remarks and amend the above-identified application as set forth on the following pages.